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Farm Production Expenditures Continue to Climb

United States Total Farm Production Expenditures were \$367.3 billion in 2013, up from \$360.1 billion in 2012. The 2013 Total Expenditures are up 2.0 percent compared with 2012 Total farm production expenditures. Nearly all expenditure items increased from the previous year.

According to USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Field Office, the four largest expenditure categories at the United States level totaled \$167.6 billion and accounted for 45.6 percent of Total Expenditures in 2013. They were: Feed, 17.0 percent, Farm Services, 10.6 percent, Livestock, Poultry and Related Expenses, 9.3 percent, and Labor, 8.7 percent.

Total fuel expense was \$16.4 billion. Diesel, the largest sub-component, was \$10.9 billion, accounting for 66.5 percent. Diesel expenditures were up 4.8 percent from the previous year. Gasoline was \$3.0 billion, down 3.2 percent. LP gas was \$1.8 billion, up 25.7 percent. Other fuel was \$740 million, up 5.7 percent.

In 2013, the United States Total Farm Expenditure average per farm was \$175,270 compared with \$171,309 in 2012, up 2.3 percent. On average, United States farm operations spent: \$29,779 on Feed, \$18,612 on Farm Services, \$16,321 on Livestock, Poultry and Related Expenses, and \$15,271 on Labor. For 2012, United States farms spent an average of: \$28,781 on Feed, \$19,552 on Farm Services, \$15,937 on Livestock, Poultry, and Related Expenses, \$15,128 on Labor.

The United States Economic Sales Class contributing most to the 2013 United States Total Expenditures was the \$1,000,000 - \$4,999,999 class, with expenses of \$132.1 billion, (36.0 percent of the United States total), up 4.1 percent from the 2012 level of \$127.0 billion. It was followed by the \$5,000,000 and over class with \$79.0 billion, up from \$74.0 billion in 2012.

The Midwest region, which includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin, contributed the most to United States Total Expenditures with expenses of \$118.5 billion (32.3 percent), up from \$114.8 billion in 2012. The other regions ranked by Total Expenditures were: Plains at \$87.6 billion (23.9 percent), West at \$76.9 billion (21.0 percent), Atlantic at \$45.5 billion (12.4 percent), and South at \$38.8 billion (10.6 percent). The Midwest increased \$3.7 billion from 2012, which is the largest regional increase in dollars.

For further information on USDA farm expenditures, please visit http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_Subject/index.php.